

VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF MINES, MINERALS & ENERGY
VIRGINIA GAS AND OIL BOARD

Minutes and results of hearing, April 15, 2008

Board members present (Quorum was established): Ms. Barber, Ms. Dye, Mr. Harris, Mr. Prather, Mr. Ratliff, Ms. Quillen, Mr. Wampler

Pursuant to Sections 45.1-361.9.B and 45.1-361.22.B of the Code of Virginia, the Virginia Gas and Oil Board conducted a hearing on Tuesday, April 15, 2008 at the Southwest Virginia Higher Education Center on the campus of Virginia Highlands Community College, Abingdon, Virginia. The results of that hearing are as follows:

1. The Board will receive a quarterly report on the board escrow account as administered by Wachovia Bank, Escrow Agent for the Virginia Gas and Oil Board.

The Board received a quarterly report on the board escrow account as presented by Wachovia Bank, Escrow Agent for the Virginia Gas and Oil Board.

Quarterly Statement of Account	
Wachovia Bank, Escrow Agent for:	
Virginia Oil and Gas Board (VGOB)	
	2008
	31-Mar
1	Beginning Value
	\$ 18,514,685.13
2	Contributions
	763,348.37
3	Income (net)
	122,998.60
4	Realized Gain / (Loss)
	-
5	Unrealized Gain / (Loss)
	-
6	Fees and Expenses
	-
7	Withdrawals
	(14,254.49)
8	Ending Value
	\$ 19,386,777.61

2. The Board, on its own motion and in response to public comment, will discuss post-production costs that are allowed by pooling orders and are deducted from royalty payments to pooled parties.

The Board has previously heard public testimony and objections to the extent of post production royalty costs, deducted by gas producers from royalty owners, downstream after wellhead production. Mr. Wilson presented comments and statistical documents from two examples regarding post-production costs. Deductions within these examples were as high as approximately 95 percent and as low as approximately 10 percent.

Chairman Wampler opened a comment period through May 15th. Written comments received by the Division of Gas and Oil will be distributed to the Board at the May 20th Board Hearing. The issue will again be discussed by the Board at the scheduled June 17, 2008 hearing.

3. A petition from Equitable Production Company for re-pooling of coalbed methane unit VC-537113, Ervinton District, Dickenson County, Virginia. Docket Number VGOB-07-0515-1934. Continue from February

In the VC-537113 58.77-acre unit, the applicant controls 100% of the coal and 84.0% of the gas interests, and seeks to pool the remaining 16.0% of the gas interests. Unleased gas acreage subject to pooling totals 9.4 net acres in four tracts having 179 unleased claimants. There are conflicting claimants and unlocated owners subject to escrow. A permit to drill the unit was issued on 5/4/07. **This item was continued to June.**

4. A petition from CNX Gas Company, LLC for pooling of coalbed methane unit R(-1), Prater District, Buchanan County, Virginia. Docket Number VGOB-08-0318-2160. Continued from March.

In the R(-1) 80-acre unit, the applicant controls 99.1% of the coal and gas interests, and seeks to pool the remaining 0.9% of the interests. Unleased acreage subject to pooling totals 0.7 net acres in one tract having 15 unleased claimants. There are conflicting claimants subject to escrow. An application for permit to drill the unit has been submitted. **This petition was withdrawn.**

5. A petition from CNX Gas Company, LLC for pooling of coalbed methane unit R(-2), Prater District, Buchanan County, Virginia. Docket Number VGOB-08-0318-2161. Continued from March.

In the R(-2) 80-acre unit, the applicant controls 98.0% of the coal and gas interests, and seeks to pool the remaining 2.0% of the interests. Unleased acreage subject to pooling totals 1.6 net acres in one tract having 15 unleased claimants. There are conflicting claimants subject to escrow. An application for permit to drill the unit has been submitted. **This item was continued to May.**

6. A petition from CNX Gas Company, LLC for re-pooling of coalbed methane unit VP8SGU3, Prater and South Grundy Districts, Buchanan County, Virginia. Docket Number VGOB-06-0321-1598-01. Continued from March.

In the VP8SGU3 4,549.54-acre unit, the applicant controls 99.97% of the coal and 99.94% of the gas interests, and seeks to pool the remaining 0.06% of the gas interests. Unleased coal acreage subject to pooling totals 1.2 net acres in one tract having one unleased claimant. Unleased gas acreage subject to pooling totals 2.7 net acres in one tract having one unleased claimant. There are conflicting claimants and unlocated owners subject to escrow. Several pre-existing wells already serve the unit. **This item was continued to May.**

7. A petition from GeoMet Operating Company, Inc. for pooling of coalbed methane unit Rogers 423 VA Unit E-34, Garden District, Buchanan County, Virginia. Docket Number VGOB-08-0318-2166. Continued from March.

In the E-34 80-acre unit, the applicant controls 100% of the coal and 75.0% of the gas interests, and seeks to pool the remaining 25.0% of the gas interests. Unleased gas acreage subject to pooling totals 20 net acres in one tract having seven unleased claimants. There are conflicting claimants subject to escrow. An application for permit to drill the unit has been submitted. **This petition was withdrawn.**

8. A petition from GeoMet Operating Company, Inc. for pooling of coaled methane unit Rogers 424 VA Unit E-35, Garden District, Buchanan County, Virginia. Docket Number VGOB-08-0318-2168. 'Continued from March.

In the E-35 80-acre unit, the applicant controls 100% of the coal and 75.0% of the gas interests, and seeks to pool the remaining 25.0% of the gas interests. Unleased gas acreage subject to pooling totals 20 net acres in one tract having seven unleased claimants. There are conflicting claimants subject to escrow. An application for permit to drill the unit has been submitted. **This petition was withdrawn.**

9. A petition from GeoMet Operating Company, Inc. for pooling of coaled methane unit Rogers 425 VA Unit E-34, Garden District, Buchanan County, Virginia. Docket Number VGOB-08-0318-2169. Continued from March..

In the E-36 80-acre unit, the applicant controls 100% of the coal and 75.0% of the gas interests, and seeks to pool the remaining 25.0% of the gas interests. Unleased gas acreage subject to pooling totals 20 net acres in one tract having seven unleased claimants. There are conflicting claimants subject to escrow. An application for permit to drill the unit has been submitted. **This petition was withdrawn.**

10. A petition from GeoMet Operating Company, Inc. for pooling of coaled methane unit Rogers 430 VA Unit D-36, Garden District, Buchanan County, Virginia. Docket Number VGOB-08-0318-2173. Continued from March.

In the D-36 80-acre unit, the applicant controls 100% of the coal and 75.0% of the gas interests, and seeks to pool the remaining 25.0% of the gas interests. Unleased gas acreage subject to pooling totals 20 net acres in one tract having seven unleased claimants. There are conflicting claimants subject to escrow. An application for permit to drill the unit has been submitted. **This item was withdrawn.**

11. A petition from GeoMet Operating Company, Inc. for pooling of coaled methane unit Rogers 431 VA Unit D-37, Garden District, Buchanan County, Virginia. Docket Number VGOB-08-0318-2174. Continued from March.

In the D-37 80-acre unit, the applicant controls 100% of the coal and 75.0% of the gas interests, and seeks to pool the remaining 25.0% of the gas interests. Unleased gas acreage subject to pooling totals 20 net acres in one tract having seven unleased claimants. There are conflicting claimants subject to escrow. An application for permit to drill the unit has been submitted. **This petition was withdrawn.**

12. A petition from Equitable Production Company for pooling of coalbed methane unit VC-536972, Kenady District, Dickenson County, Virginia. Docket Number VGOB-08-0318-2176. Continued from March.

Revised Exhibits were distributed due to revisions of the McCoy Heirs (Exhibit B-2) that represents the deletion and addition of certain heirs.

In the VC-536972 58.77-acre unit, the applicant controls 100% of the coal and 97.95% of the gas interests, and seeks to pool the remaining 2.04% of the gas interests. Unleased gas acreage subject to pooling totals 1.2 net acres in one tract having 55 unleased claimants. There are conflicting claimants and unknown owners subject to escrow. An application for permit to drill the unit has been submitted. **The petition was approved.**

13. A petition from Dart Oil and Gas Corporation for creation and pooling of conventional drilling unit Edwards 043101, Clearfork District, Tazewell County, Virginia. Docket Number VGOB-08-0318-2184.

Revised Exhibits (Exhibit B, B-2) were distributed.

In the Edwards 043101 200-acre conventional unit, the applicant controls 52.79% of the oil and gas interests, and seeks to pool the remaining 47.21% of the interests. Unleased acreage subject to pooling totals 94.42 net acres in five tracts having 6 unleased claimants. There are no unlocated owners subject to escrow. No application for permit to drill the unit has been submitted. **The petition was approved.**

14. A petition from CNX Gas Company, LLC for pooling of coalbed methane unit D-14, North Grundy District, Buchanan County, Virginia. Docket Number VGOB-08-0415-2194.

In the D-14 80-acre unit, the applicant controls 89.74% of the coal and gas interests, and seeks to pool the remaining 10.3% of the interests. Unleased gas acreage subject to pooling totals 8.2 net acres in two tracts having seven unleased claimants. There are no conflicting or unknown claimants subject to escrow. A permit to drill the unit was issued on 3/26/08. **The petition was approved.**

15. A petition from CNX Gas Company, LLC for pooling of coalbed methane unit R-54, Garden and Maiden Springs Districts, Buchanan and Tazewell County, Virginia. Docket Number VGOB-08-0415-2195.

In the R-54 80-acre unit, the applicant controls 100.0% of the coal and 88.9% of the gas interests, and seeks to pool the remaining 11.1% of the gas interests. Unleased gas acreage subject to pooling totals 13.44 net acres in three tracts having three unleased claimants. There are conflicting claimants subject to escrow. A permit to drill the unit was issued on 2/21/08. Revised Exhibits (B-2 and B-3) presented with change in pooling percentages. **This petition was approved.**

16. A petition from CNX Gas Company, LLC for pooling of coalbed methane unit N(-2), Prater District, Buchanan County, Virginia. Docket Number VGOB-08-0415-2196.

In the N (-2) 80-acre unit, the applicant controls 87.0% of the coal and gas interests, and seeks to pool the remaining 13.0% of the interests. Unleased gas acreage subject to pooling totals 10.4 net acres in one tract having one unleased claimant. There are no conflicting or unknown owners subject to escrow. A permit to drill the unit was issued on 3/18/08. **This item was withdrawn.**

17. A petition from CNX Gas Company, LLC for pooling of coalbed methane unit BC-137, Maiden Springs District, Tazewell County, Virginia. Docket Number VGOB-08-0415-2197.

In the BC-137 58.74-acre unit, the applicant controls 94.5% of the coal and gas interests, and seeks to pool the remaining 5.5% of the interests. Unleased acreage subject to pooling totals 3.25 net acres in one tract having one unleased claimant. There are no conflicting or unknown claimants subject to escrow. A permit to drill the unit was issued on 3/26/08. **This item was approved.**

18. A petition from CNX Gas Company, LLC for modification of prior pooling orders to allow elections by pooled parties for a second well in unit DD-24, Hurricane District, Buchanan County, Virginia. Docket Number VGOB-01-0320-0878-02. .

In the DD-24 80-acre unit, the applicant controls 100.00% of the coal and 92.3% of the gas interests, and seeks to pool the remaining 7.7% of the gas interests. Unleased gas acreage subject to pooling totals 34.64 net acres in three tracts having eighty unleased claimants. There are unknowns subject to escrow. A permit to drill the unit was issued on 3/30/01. **The petition was approved.**

19. A petition from CNX Gas Company, LLC for pooling of coalbed methane unit TA-80, Maiden Springs District, Tazewell County, Virginia. Docket Number VGOB-08-0415-2198.

In the TA-80 41.66-acre unit, the applicant controls 99.23% of the coal and 99.23% of the gas interests, and seeks to pool the remaining 0.77% of the gas interests. Unleased gas acreage subject to pooling totals 1.16 net acres in one tract having two claimants. Of the unleased, there are no unknowns subject to escrow. An application for permit to drill the unit has been submitted. A permit to drill the unit has been submitted. **This item was withdrawn.**

20. A petition from CNX Gas Company, LLC for modification of the Middle Ridge I Field Rules to allow for drilling of an additional well in unit AY134, Maiden Spring District, Tazewell County, Virginia. Docket Number VGOB-00-1017-0835-03.

The applicant seeks to modify a portion of the Middle Ridge I Coalbed Methane Field Rules to allow more than one coalbed methane frac well (a second well) to be drilled within a unit. The original field rule allows for one well per 60-acre unit. One area of the Middle Ridge Field has previously been approved for multiple wells. **This petition was approved.**

21. A petition from Equitable Production Company for pooling of conventional gas unit V-536025, Lipps District, Wise County, Virginia. Docket Number VGOB-08-0415-2199.

In the V-536025 112.69-acre conventional unit, the applicant controls 84.04% of the gas interests, and the applicant seeks to pool the remaining 15.960% of the gas interests. Unleased gas acreage subject to pooling totals 17.98 net acres in thirteen tracts having twelve claimants. Of the unleased, there are no unknowns subject to escrow. An application for permit to drill the unit has been submitted. **This petition was continued to June, 2008.**

22. A petition from Equitable Production Company for pooling of coalbed methane unit VC-539795, Sandlick District, Dickenson County, Virginia. Docket Number VGOB-08-0415-2200.

In the V-539795 58.77-acre coalbed methane unit, the applicant controls 99.56% of the coal and 99.86% of the gas interests, and the applicant seeks to pool the remaining 0.14% of the gas interests. Unleased gas acreage subject to pooling totals 0.08 net acres in two tracts having two claimants. There are conflicting claimants that require escrow. There are no unknowns subject to escrow. An application for permit to drill the unit has been submitted. **This item was approved.**

23. A petition from Equitable Production Company for pooling of coalbed methane unit VC-536427, Sandlick District, Dickenson County, Virginia. Docket Number VGOB-08-0415-2201.

In the V-536427 58.77-acre coalbed methane unit, the applicant controls 100% of the coal and 83.48% of the gas interests. The applicant seeks to pool the remaining 16.52% of the gas interests. Unleased gas acreage subject to pooling totals 9.7 net acres in two tracts having nine claimants. There are unknowns subject to escrow. An application for permit to drill the unit has been submitted. **This item was approved.**

24. A petition from Equitable Production Company for pooling of coalbed methane unit VC-537867, Sandlick District, Dickenson County, Virginia. Docket Number VGOB-08-0415-2202.

In the V-537867 58.77-acre coalbed methane unit, the applicant controls 100.00% of the coal and 89.03% of the gas interests. The applicant seeks to pool the remaining 10.97% of the gas interests. Unleased gas acreage subject to pooling totals 6.44 net acres in one tract having four claimants. There are unknown and conflicting claimants subject to escrow. An application for permit to drill the unit was approved on 03/28/08. **This petition was approved.**

25. A petition from Equitable Production Company for pooling of coalbed methane unit VC-539613, Sandlick District, Dickenson County, Virginia. Docket Number VGOB-08-0415-2203.

Revised Exhibit (B-2) was distributed to the Board.

In the V-539613 58.77-acre coalbed methane unit, the applicant controls 100.00% of the coal and 99.96% of the gas interests. The applicant seeks to pool the remaining 0.04% of the gas interests. Unleased gas acreage subject to pooling totals 0.03 net acres in one tract having seven claimants. There are unknown and unlocated subjects to escrow. An application for permit to drill the unit was issued on 3/31/08. **This petition was approved.**

26. A petition from Equitable Production Company for pooling of coalbed methane unit VC-539627, Sandlick District, Dickenson County, Virginia. Docket Number VGOB-08-0415-2204.

Revised Exhibit (B-2) was distributed to the Board.

In the V-539627 58.77-acre coalbed methane unit, the applicant controls 100.00% of the coal and 96.82% of the gas interests. The applicant seeks to pool the remaining 3.17% of the gas interests. Unleased gas acreage subject to pooling totals 1.86 net acres in two tracts having eight claimants. There are unknowns subject to escrow. An application for permit to drill the unit was issued on 3/31/08. **This item was approved.**

27. A petition from Equitable Production Company for pooling of coalbed methane unit VC-537811, Sandlick District, Dickenson County, Virginia. Docket Number VGOB-08-0415-2205

Revised Exhibits (B-2) were distributed to the Board.

In the V-537811 58.77-acre coalbed methane unit, the applicant controls 100.00% of the coal and 66.76% of the gas interests. The applicant seeks to pool the remaining

33.24% of the gas interests. Unleased gas acreage subject to pooling totals 19.54 net acres in six tracts having twelve claimants. There are conflicting and unknowns subject to escrow. An application for permit to drill the unit has been submitted. **This item was approved.**

28. A petition from Equitable Production Company for establishment of 320-acre drilling unit VH-536926, for drilling of horizontal conventional gas wells. Gladeville and Lipps District, Wise County, Virginia. Docket Number VGOB-08-0415-2206.

The applicant is seeking an amended application to establish a provisional 320-acre square drilling unit for a horizontal conventional gas well. Applicant owns and or has a lease on 100% of the oil and gas interest in the entire 320.00 acre unit. Requested relief would include provisions for drilling of horizontal wells into any of several conventional horizons, and the payment of royalties to all owners within the unit according to their percentage ownership in the unit. An application for the drilling of this unit has been submitted. **This item was continued to June.**

29. A petition from Equitable Production Company for establish of 320 acre drilling unit VH-133748, for drilling of horizontal conventional gas wells, Lipps District, Wise County, Virginia. Docket Number VGOB-08-0415-2207..

Equitable made presentation with Exhibits to the Board..

The applicant is seeking an amended application relative to establishing a provisional 320-acre square drilling unit for a horizontal conventional gas well. Applicant owns and or has a lease on 100% of the oil and gas interest in the entire 320.00 acre unit. Requested relief would include provisions for drilling of horizontal wells into any of several conventional horizons, and the payment of royalties to all owners within the unit according to their percentage ownership in the unit. An application for the drilling of this unit has been submitted. **This petition was approved.**

30. A petition from Equitable Production Company for establishment of 320 acre drilling unit VH-539578, for drilling of horizontal conventional gas wells, Gladeville District, Wise County, Virginia. Docket Number VGOB-08-0415-2208.

The applicant is seeking an amended application relative to establishing a provisional 320-acre square drilling unit for a horizontal conventional gas well. Applicant owns and or has a lease on 100% of the oil and gas interest in the entire 320.00 acre unit. Requested relief would include provisions for drilling of horizontal wells into any of several conventional horizons, and the payment of royalties to all owners within the unit according to their percentage ownership in the unit. An application for the drilling of this unit has been submitted. **This petition was approved.**

31. A petition from Equitable Production Company for establishment of 320 acre drilling unit VH-539573, for drilling of horizontal conventional gas wells, Gladeville District, Wise County, Virginia. Docket Number VGOB-08-0415-2209.

The applicant is seeking an amended application relative to establishing a provisional 320-acre square drilling unit for a horizontal conventional gas well. Applicant owns and or has a lease on 100% of the oil and gas interest in the entire 320.00 acre unit. Requested relief would include provisions for drilling of horizontal

wells into any of several conventional horizons, and the payment of royalties to all owners within the unit according to their percentage ownership in the unit. An application for the drilling of this unit has been submitted. **This petition was approved.**

32. A petition from Equitable Production Company for establishment of 320 acre drilling unit VH-539904, for drilling of horizontal conventional gas wells, Gladeville District, Wise County, Virginia. Docket Number VGOB-08-0415-2210.

The applicant is seeking an amended application relative to establishing a provisional 320-acre square drilling unit for a horizontal conventional gas well. Applicant owns and or has a lease on 100% of the oil and gas interest in the entire 320.00 acre unit. Requested relief would include provisions for drilling of horizontal wells into any of several conventional horizons, and the payment of royalties to all owners within the unit according to their percentage ownership in the unit. An application for the drilling of this unit has been submitted.

Testimony by Waylon Martin Jessee requested and was allowed by Chairman Wampler to be heard, but will be entered into the official board docket during the June meeting. **This petition was continued to June.**

33. A petition from Equitable Production Company for pooling of coalbed methane unit BU-41, Kenady District, Dickenson County, Virginia. Docket Number VGOB-08-0415-2211.

In the BU-41 58.77-acre coalbed methane unit, the applicant controls 100% of the coal and 99.53% of the gas interests. The applicant seeks to pool the remaining 0.47% of the gas interests. Unleased gas acreage subject to pooling totals 0.27 net acres in one tract having twenty-two claimants. There are conflicting and unknown owners subject to escrow. An application for permit to drill the unit has been submitted. **This petition was approved.**

34. A petition from Equitable Production Company for modification of the Nora Coalbed Gas Field Rules to allow for drilling of an additional well in units BU41 and BS42, Kenady District, Dickenson County, Virginia. Docket Number VGOB-89-0125-0009-24.

The applicant seeks to modify a unit within the Nora Coalbed Methane Field Rule to allow for drilling of multiple wells. The original field rule allows for one well per 60-acre unit. Several areas of the Nora Field have previously been approved for multiple wells. **The petition was approved.**

35. A petition from Range Resources-Pine Mountain Inc. for modification of the Nora Coalbed Gas Field Rules to allow for drilling of an additional well in units Y-75, Y-76, Z-75 and Z-76, Prater District, Buchanan County, Virginia. Docket Number VGOB-89-0126-0009-25.

The applicant seeks to modify above mentioned units within the Nora Coalbed Methane Field Rule to allow for drilling of multiple wells. The original field rule allows for one well per 60-acre unit. Several areas of the Nora Field have previously been approved for multiple wells. **The petition was approved.**

36. A petition from Range Resources-Pine Mountain Inc. for establishment of a 320 acre unit for drilling of horizontal conventional gas wells, Kenady District, Dickenson County, Virginia. Docket Number VGOB-08-0415-2212.

The applicant is seeking to establish a provisional 320-acre square drilling unit for a horizontal conventional gas well. Requested relief would include provisions for drilling of horizontal wells into any of several conventional horizons, and the payment of royalties to all owners within the unit according to their percentage ownership in the unit. **The petition was approved.**

37. A petition from Range Resources-Pine Mountain Inc. for establishment of a 320 acre drilling unit for drilling of horizontal conventional gas wells, Ervinton District, Dickenson County, Virginia. Docket Number VGOB-08-0415-2213.

The applicant is seeking to establish a provisional 320-acre square drilling unit for a horizontal conventional gas well. Requested relief would include provisions for drilling of horizontal wells into any of several conventional horizons, and the payment of royalties to all owners within the unit according to their percentage ownership in the unit. **This item was continued to May.**

38. A petition from Appalachian Energy, Inc. for pooling of coalbed methane unit D-100, North Grundy District, Buchanan County, Virginia. Docket Number VGOB-08-0415-2214. Item was withdrawn.

In the AE-230 (D-100) 58.49-acre coalbed methane unit, the applicant controls 40.60% of the coal and 92.77% of the gas interests. The applicant seeks to pool the remaining 7.23% of the gas interests. Unleased gas acreage subject to pooling totals 4.23 net acres in two tracts having twelve claimants. There are conflicting subjects to escrow. No application for permit to drill the unit has been submitted. **This petition was withdrawn.**

39. A petition from Appalachian Energy, Inc. for modification of the Oakwood 1 Field Rules to allow for drilling of an additional well in units G37, H37, H38, I32, I36 and I37, Garden District, Buchanan County, Virginia. Docket Number VGOB-93-0216-0325-14.

The applicant seeks to modify a portion of the Oakwood 1 Coalbed Methane Gas Field Rules to allow for drilling of multiple wells in each 80-acre unit. The original field rule allows for one well per 80-acre unit. Several areas of the Oakwood 1 Field have previously been approved for multiple wells. **This petition was approved.**

40. A petition from Appalachian Energy, Inc. for modification of the Nora Field Rules to allow for drilling of an additional well in units E100, F100, G100-101, H99-101, Grundy District, Buchanan County, Virginia. Docket Number VGOB-89-0126-0009-26.

The applicant seeks to modify a portion of the Oakwood 1 Coalbed Methane Gas Field Rules to allow for drilling of multiple wells in each 80-acre unit. The original field rule allows for one well per 80-acre unit. Several areas of the Oakwood 1 Field have previously been approved for multiple wells. **Copies of written objection distributed and discussed by the Board. After discussion the petition was approved.**

41. A petition from Equitable Production Company on behalf of William & Kimberly Corn and Range Resources-Pine Mountain, Inc. for disbursement of funds from escrow and authorization for direct payments of royalties on Tract 2, Unit VC-501827, Ervinton District, Dickenson County, Virginia. Docket Number VGOB-04-0817-1316-01.

Conflicting owners of coalbed methane royalties have reached a resolution and royalty split agreement regarding drilling unit VC-501827 and Tract 2 under Section §45.1-361.22(5) of the Gas and Oil Act. **The petition was approved with correction of interest payable to Pine Mountain, Inc in the amount of \$2,258.26**

42. A petition from Equitable Production Company on behalf of William & Kimberly Corn and Range Resources-Pine Mountain, Inc. for disbursement of funds from escrow and authorization for direct payments of royalties on Tract 1, Unit VC-535625, Ervinton District, Dickenson County, Virginia. Docket Number VGOB-04-0420-1280-01.

Conflicting owners of coalbed methane royalties have reached a resolution and royalty split agreement regarding drilling unit VC-535625 and Tract 1 under Section §45.1-361.22(5) of the Gas and Oil Act. **The petition was approved.**

43. A petition from Range Resources-Pine Mountain, Inc. for pooling of coalbed methane Unit 73AD, Prater District, Buchanan County, Virginia. Docket Number VGOB-08-0415-2216.

In the (Haysi-53-CBM) 73AD 58.77-acre coalbed methane unit, the applicant controls 98.19822550% of the coalbed methane interests and 87.230% of the gas interests. The applicant seeks to pool the remaining 1.80177450% of the coalbed methane interests and 12.770% of the gas interests. Unleased coalbed methane acreage subject to pooling totals 1.05891289 net acres in one tract having twenty-eight claimants. Unleased gas acreage subject to pooling totals 7.5050 net acres in one tract having two claimants. Of the unleased, there are seven unknowns subject to escrow. An application for permit to drill the unit has been submitted. **This item was continued to May 2008.**

44. A petition from Range Resources-Pine Mountain, Inc. for pooling of conventional gas unit V-536881, Sandlick District, Dickenson County, Virginia. Docket Number VGOB-08-0415-2217. APPROVED.

In the V-536881 112.69-acre conventional unit, the applicant controls 92.91071429% (approximately 105.22 acres) of the gas interests. The applicant seeks to pool the remaining 7.08928571% of the gas interests. Unleased gas acreage subject to pooling totals 7.47071429 net acres in three tracts having nine claimants. Of the unleased, there are no unknowns subject to escrow. An application for permit to drill the unit has been submitted. **The petition was approved.**

45. A petition from Range Resources-Pine Mountain, Inc. for pooling of gas Unit 73AC, Prater District, Buchanan County, Virginia. Docket Number VGOB-08-0415-2218.

In the (Haysi-52-CBM) 73AC 58.77-acre unit, the applicant controls 100.0% of the coalbed methane interests and 96.750 of the gas interests. The applicant seeks to pool the remaining 3.260% of the gas interests. Unleased gas acreage subject to pooling totals 1.920 net acres in two tracts having two claimants. Of the unleased, there are no unknowns subject to escrow. An application for permit to drill the unit has been submitted. **The petition was approved.**

The Virginia Gas and Oil Board will hear public comments regarding Board matters immediately following the final docket item. **There were no public comments.**

Information concerning the above docket items can be viewed from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday at the office of the Department of Mines, Minerals and Energy, Division of Gas and Oil, 230 Charwood Drive, Abingdon, Virginia. All questions concerning the agenda should be directed to the Division of Gas and Oil by telephoning 276-676-5423.

Special accommodations for the disabled will be made available at the next hearing on request. Anyone needing special accommodations for the April hearing should contact the Department of Mines, Minerals and Energy, Division of Gas and Oil at 276-676-5423 or call the Virginia Relay Center TTY/TDD 1-800-828-1120 or 1140 by May 10, 2008. The deadline for filing of petitions to the Board for the May 2008 hearing is 5 p.m., Friday, April 18, 2008 with the hearing scheduled for 9 a.m. on Tuesday, May 20, 2008 at the Southwest Virginia Higher Education Center, Abingdon, Virginia.